

**Course Code: IRE 4312**

**Course Title: EUROPEAN POLITICS IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY**

**Course Coordinator: Assoc. Prof. Ali Şevket Ovalı**

**Course Objective:**

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the major political developments in Europe during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Economic, sociological and cultural factors will be under the scope of this course as well. The course will follow a continent-wide approach along with an emphasis on specific country analysis. The historical process will be discussed by taking into consideration the ruptures and continuities in the relevant timeline.

**Learning Outcomes:**

1. Identify the main actors and events of European history between 1914 and 2000 in order to comprehend the development of the international system in the 20th century.
2. Identify major economic, cultural and social transformations in 20th cc Europe and their connections with political transformations.
3. Develop a historical and critical viewpoint in analysing contemporary political trends.
4. Develop academic writing skills.
5. Develop academic discussion skills.

**Prerequisites and Co-requisites: None**

**Course Contents:**

**Weekly Schedule**

**Week 1: Introduction: The Opening of the 20th century**

- M. Barber, Europe in a Changing World: 20<sup>th</sup> Century World History, MacMillan, London, 1996, pp. 11-41.
- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present), Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 5-34.

**Week 2: WWI and its Aftermath**

- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present), Third Edition, Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 117-144.
- Roland N. Stromberg, Europe in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Fourth Edition, Prentice Hall, New Jersey, 1997, pp.103-147.

**Week 3: Great Depression and Dictatorships**

- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present), Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 145-169.
- Konrad H. Jarausch, From Ashes: A New History of Europe in the Twentieth Century, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2015, pp.209-286.

**Week 4: WWII and its Aftermath**

- Konrad H. Jarausch, From Ashes: A New History of Europe in the Twentieth Century, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2015, pp.399-451.

- Roland N. Stromberg, *Europe in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*, Fourth Edition, Prentice Hall, New Jersey, 1997, pp.243-285.

**Week 5: Cold War Crises and Decolonization**

- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, *20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present)*, Third Edition, Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 207-234.
- Konrad H. Jarausch, *From Ashes: A New History of Europe in the Twentieth Century*, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2015, pp. 452-505.

**Week 6: Reconstruction**

- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, *20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present)*, Third Edition, Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 235-267.
- Konrad H. Jarausch, *From Ashes: A New History of Europe in the Twentieth Century*, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2015, pp. 506-559.

**Week 7: Globalization Process and Its Impact**

- Konrad H. Jarausch, *From Ashes: A New History of Europe in the Twentieth Century*, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2015, pp. 587-638.
- Michael D. Richards ve Paul R. Waibell, *20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present)*, Third Edition, Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014, pp. 345-366.

**Week 8: Integration Period**

- Michelle Cini ve Nieves Pérez-Solórzano Borragán *European Union Politics*, Third Edition, Oxford University Press, 2010, pp. 13-68.
- Neill Nugent, *The Government and Politics of the European Union*, Fourth Edition, Palgrave, 1999, pp. 1-22.

Week 9: Case Studies / Student Presentations

Week 10: Case Studies / Student Presentations

Week 11: Case Studies / Student Presentations

Week 12: Case Studies / Student Presentations

Week 13: Case Studies / Student Presentations

**Recommended or Required Reading:**

- M. Barber, *Europe in a Changing World: 20<sup>th</sup> Century World History*, MacMillan, London, 1996.
- Michael D. Richards and Paul R. Waibell, *20<sup>th</sup> Century Europe: A Brief History (1900 to the Present)*, Wiley Blackwell, West Sussex, 2014.
- Roland N. Stromberg, *Europe in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*, Fourth Edition, Prentice Hall, New Jersey, 1997.

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- Additional sources to be announced

**Assessment Methods:**

- Midterm 30%
- Term Paper and Presentation 30%
- Final 40%